

## MICHAEL KNAPP

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Mr. Arthur Holmes, Jr.
Director
Department of Public Works and Transportation
101 Monroe Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor
Rockville, MD 20850-2540

Dear Mr. Holmes:

I am writing to formally request that DPWT install a traffic signal at the intersection of Father Hurley Blvd. and Wisteria Drive in Germantown – and that it do so as quickly as possible.

Traffic at this intersection is presently mediated by stop signs. These may have worked well when the area was still relatively undeveloped, but with the residential and commercial growth in the area in the past years, the weight of the traffic at the intersection has quickly become more than stop signs can control. Additionally, given the proximity of this intersection to Seneca Valley High School, pedestrian safety is of the utmost priority. At this point, crosswalks and stop signs alone are not enough to protect either drivers or pedestrians.

I believe a traffic light is clearly warranted for this intersection. Given the number of accidents that have occurred in and around this intersection in the past few weeks, *I would ask that DPWT expedite this request as quickly as possible.* 

If you require further information, I can be reached at (240) 777-7955, or by e-mail at Councilmember.Knapp@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Regards,

Mike Knapp

Councilmember, District 2